

two element-defining names being used to determine if the element, which forms part of the element search portion and is specified by either of said first and second element-defining names, is present in the element search portion of the document.

17. A method as claimed in claim 2, further comprising:

acquiring another element edit statement into said document edit system, said another element edit statement being used to edit the elements which have been extracted.

18. A method as claimed in claim 17, wherein said another element edit statement comprises another document editing instructions which are used for initializing a plurality of variables provided for editing the elements extracted, pre-editing, post-editing, and arranging the elements extracted.--

REMARKS


By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant has added new claims 2-18. No new matter has been added.

Examination of the present application and the allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

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